

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN OF PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW ACTS," "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS. 1883-1891,"
AND "THE LAND PURCHASE ACTS,"

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF MAY, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," up to the 31st day of May, 1903; also of Proceedings up to same date under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883-1891;" and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of April, 1903, . . .	202,184		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of May, 1903, . . .	84		By Chief Commission to end of April, 1903, . . .	5,324	
		202,218	" in month of May, 1903, . . .	25	5,849
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of April, 1903, . . .	10,946				
Do. in month of May, 1903, . . .	7				
		10,972			
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of April, 1903, . . .	80,854		By Sub-Commission to end of April, 1903, . . .	174,818	
Applications received in month of May, 1903, . . .	5		" in month of May, 1903, . . .	118	174,936
		30,359			
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents, to end of April, 1903, . . .	1,422		Dismissed—		
Do. received in May, 1903, . . .	1		To end of April, 1903, . . .	2,854	
		1,423	In month of May, 1903, . . .	12	2,876
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of April, 1903, . . .	1,500				
Do. in month of May, 1903, . . .	1		Struck out—		
		1,501	To end of April, 1903, . . .	33,428	
			In month of May, 1903, . . .	35	33,463
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of April, 1903, . . .	565				
Do. in month of May, 1903, . . .	—				
		565	Withdrawn—		
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of April, 1903, . . .	45		To end of April, 1903, . . .	15,703	
Do. in month of May, 1903, . . .	—		In month of May, 1903, . . .	11	15,714
		45			
		45	Total Number disposed of, Number to be disposed of, . . .	—	244,558
				—	2,745
Total, . . .	—	247,083	Total, . . .	—	247,083

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (A.), page 8.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred that applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of April, 1903,	71,518	71,896	Rents fixed— By Chief Commission to end of April, 1903,	2,210	2,225
Applications received in month of May, 1903,	318		" in month of May, 1903,	25	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of April, 1903,	5,178	5,221	By Sub-Commission to end of April, 1903,	48,671	50,178
Do. in month of May, 1903,	43		" in month of May, 1903,	607	
			Dismissed—		
			To end of April, 1903,	983	990
			In month of May, 1903,	7	
			Struck out—		
			To end of April, 1903,	10,390	10,399
			In month of May, 1903,	68	
			Withdrawn*—		
			To end of April, 1903,	2,158	2,159
			In month of May, 1903,	41	
			Total Number disposed of,	—	66,101
			Number to be disposed of,	—	10,956
Total,	—	77,057	Total,	—	77,057

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to end of April, 1903,	187,300
Do., do. in month of May, 1903,	105
Total,	187,405

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to end of April, 1903,	35,565
Do., do. in month of May, 1903,	149
Total,	35,714

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of April, 1903,	2,983
Applications received to end of April, 1903,	2,112	2,125	" in month of May, 1903,	2
Applications received in month of May, 1903,	13			
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of April, 1903,	46	46		
Do. in month of May, 1903,	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to end of April, 1903,	1,068	1,068		
Applications in month of May, 1903,	—			
Total,	—	3,237	Total disposed of,	2,985

†The first notice of application to the Court, making the condition upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, resumption of lease or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of April, 1903,	20	Applications granted to end of April, 1903,	7
" in month of May, 1903,	—	" in month of May, 1903,	—
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of April, 1903,	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of April, 1903,	11
" in month of May, 1903,	—	" in month of May, 1903,	—
	3	Applications withdrawn to end of April, 1903,	3
		" in month of May, 1903,	—
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	21

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to end of April, 1903,	5,157	Rents fixed to end of April, 1903,	4,457
" in May, 1903,	—	" in May, 1903,	41
		Applications dismissed, struck out and withdrawn to end of April, 1903,	410
		" in May, 1903,	—
Total,	5,157	Total disposed of,	4,908

VI.—APPEALS *re* FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to end of April 1903, . . .	53,107	Number heard to end of April, 1903, . . .	27,725	
„ in month of May, 1903, . . .	82	„ in month of May, 1903, . . .	17	27,742
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of April, 1903, . . .	22,888	
		„ in month of May, 1903, . . .	4	22,892
		Total Number disposed of, . . .	—	50,684
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . .	—	2,545
Total, . . .	53,189	Total, . . .	—	53,189

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to end of April, 1906, . . .	27,417	Number heard to end of April, 1906, . . .	19,491	
„ in month of May, 1906, . . .	354	„ in month of May, 1906, . . .	28	19,519
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of April, 1906, . . .	6,475	
		„ in month of May, 1906, . . .	16	6,491
		Total Number disposed of, . . .	—	17,006
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . .	—	10,778
Total, . . .	27,781	Total, . . .	—	27,781

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for	29,179	11,463,066
Deduct Applications refused,	3,812	1,459,550
Loans sanctioned	25,367	9,993,516
Loans issued	25,367	9,993,536

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896.

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(a) Loans Applied For.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans applied for to end of April 1903, . . .	42,177	12,351,090		
„ in the month of May, 1903, . . .	863	67,231		
	43,040	12,418,321		
Less number withdrawn in month of May 1903, of applications lodged to end of April, 1903,	31	3,777	43,009	12,414,544
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans applied for to end of April, 1903, . . .	3,970	972,412		
„ in the month of May, 1903, . . .	160	34,888	4,130	1,007,298
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans applied for to end of April, 1903, . . .	97	98,394		
„ in the month of May, 1903, . . .	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans applied for to end of April, 1903, . . .	2,835	749,787		
„ in the month of May, 1903, . . .	—	—	2,835	749,787
APPLICATIONS REFUSED:—				
Applications from Landlords and Tenants refused to end of May, 1903, . . .	1,615	599,101	50,071	14,270,003
Purchase of Estates, Section 5, Act of 1885, . . .	1,077	302,244		
			2,692	894,345
Number and amount of Loans applied for to end of May, 1903, less appli- cations refused, . . .			47,379	13,375,658
(b) Loans Provisionally Sanctioned.				
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of April, 1903, . . .	38,440	11,556,392		
„ in the month of May, 1903, . . .	466	89,509		
	38,906	11,645,901		
Orders rescinded in month of May, 1903, of those made to end of April, 1903, . . .	40	16,324	38,866	11,629,577
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of April, 1903, . . .	3,970	972,412		
„ in the month of May, 1903, . . .	160	34,888	4,130	1,007,298
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of April, 1903, . . .	97	98,394		
„ in the month of May, 1903, . . .	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of April, 1903, . . .	1,758	447,523		
„ in the month of May, 1903, . . .	—	—	1,758	447,523
Net number and amount of Loans sanctioned to end of May, 1903, . . .			45,551	13,163,492

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896 (Continued).

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(c) Loans issued.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS—				
ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans issued to end of April, 1903,	36,840	10,891,079		
“ in month of May, 1903,	399	101,961	37,239	10,993,040
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans issued to end of April, 1903,	3,370	972,412		
“ in month of May, 1903,	160	34,886	4,130	1,007,298
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans issued to end of April, 1903,	93	98,014		
“ in month of May, 1903,	—	—	93	98,014
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans issued to end of April, 1903,	1,758	447,523		
“ in month of May, 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Number and amount of Loans issued to end of May, 1903.			45,222	12,545,865
(d) Advances made to the Congested Districts Board under Section 53 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896.				
Advances made to end of April, 1903,	50	467,206		
“ in month of May, 1903,	2	1,213		
Total	—	—	52	468,506

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to end of April, 1903,	1,598	Number of cases in which consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to end of April, 1903,	168	
“ in May, 1903,	4	Number received in May, 1903,	1	169
		Number of cases in which no consents were received, and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to end of April, 1903,	1,422	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of May, 1903	1	1,423
		Number of cases in which applications have been received, but where time for lodgment of consents has not expired,	—	1,422
Total,	1,602	Total,	—	1,602

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (G), page 5.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF MAY, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th May, 1903.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of April, 1903,	33,390		Rents fixed to end of April, 1903,	18,859	
Applications received in month of May, 1903,	83		" in month of May, 1903,	—	18,859
		33,473	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of April, 1903,	4,295	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to end of April, 1903,	4,444		" in month of May, 1903,	—	4,295
Applications received in month of May, 1903,	—		Applications withdrawn* to end of April, 1903,	525	
		4,444	" in month of May, 1903,	—	525
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending to end of April, 1903,	2,642		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of April, 1903,	12,465	
Applications received in month of May, 1903,	—		" in month of May, 1903,	8	12,473
		2,642	Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the end of April, 1903,	45	
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of April, 1903,	142		" in month of May, 1903,	—	45
Applications received in month of May, 1903,	—		Total disposed of,	—	35,197
		142	Number to be disposed of,	—	4,454
Total,	—	40,651	Total,	—	40,651

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of April, 1903,	10,302		Rents fixed to end of April, 1903,	3,460	
Applications received in month of May, 1903,	82		" in month of May, 1903,	83	3,543
			Applications dismissed or struck out to end of April, 1903,	408	
			" in month of May, 1903,	—	408
			Applications withdrawn* to end of April, 1903,	100	
			" in month of May, 1903,	—	100
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to end of April, 1903,	5,178	
			" in month of May, 1903,	43	5,221
Total,	10,384		Total disposed of,	—	9,372
			Number to be disposed of,	—	1,112
			Total,	—	10,384

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn, without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred that applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(d.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, Fixing Fair Rent to end of April, 1903	7,334
Do., do. in month of May, 1903,	—
Total,	7,334

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, Fixing a Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to end of April, 1903,	131
Do., do. in month of May, 1903,	—
Total,	131

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of April, 1903,	386	
Applications received to end of April, 1903,	683		" in month of May, 1903,	—	386
Applications received in month of May, 1903,	—	683	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of April, 1903,	46	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 85) received to end of April, 1903,	3		Transferred in month of May 1903,	—	46
Applications received in month of May, 1903,	—	3			
Total,	—	686	Total disposed of,	—	432

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, and licence of law, enters the question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 3).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1898,†	6	Leases or Grants declared void	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court	—
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	6

†The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1898.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING
UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of April, 1903,	23	Applications granted to end of April, 1903,	6	
" in month of May, 1903,	—	" in month of May, 1903,	—	6
		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of April, 1903,	4	
		" in month of May, 1903,	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to end of April, 1903,	1	
		" in month of May, 1903,	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of April, 1903,	3	
		" in month of May, 1903,	—	3
Total,	23	Total disposed of,	—	14

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
25th June, 1903.

JOHN H. FRANKS.

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I.—FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of May, 1903,	202,218		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	45	202,263	By Chief Commission to end of May, 1903,	5,549	
			" in month of June, 1903,	3	5,552
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of May, 1903,	10,972				
Do. in month of June, 1903,	15	10,987			
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of May, 1903,	80,839		By Sub-Commission to end of May, 1903,	174,936	
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	8	80,847	" in month of June, 1903,	161	175,097
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rents (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents,* to end of May, 1903,	1,423		Dismissed—		
Do. received in June, 1903,	6	1,429	To end of May, 1903,	9,876	
			In month of June, 1903,	8	9,884
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of May, 1903,	1,501				
Do. in month of June, 1903,	—	1,501	Struck out—		
			To end of May, 1903,	38,463	
			In month of June, 1903,	4	38,467
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of May, 1903,	565				
Do. in month of June, 1903,	—	565	Withdrawn—		
			To end of May, 1903,	15,714	
			In month of June, 1903,	15	15,729
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of May, 1903,	45		Total Number disposed of,	—	244,529
Do. in month of June, 1903,	—	45	Number to be disposed of,	—	2,628
Total,	—	247,157	Total,	—	247,157

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rents Table (B.), page 3.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of May, 1903,	71,836	71,974	Rents fixed— By Chief Commission to end of May, 1903,	2,275	2,305
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	138		" in month of June, 1903,	30	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of May, 1903,	5,221	5,255	By Sub-Commission to end of May, 1903,	50,378	50,918
Do. in month of June, 1903,	34		" in month of June, 1903,	440	
			Dismissed— To end of May, 1903,	290	999
			In month of June, 1903,	2	
			Struck out— To end of May, 1903,	10,359	10,379
			In month of June, 1903,	20	
			Withdrawn— To end of May, 1903,	2,199	2,315
			In month of June, 1903,	16	
			Total Number disposed of,	—	65,809
			Number to be disposed of,	—	10,430
Total,	—	77,229	Total,	—	77,229

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(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to end of May, 1903,	137,405
Do, do. in month of June, 1903,	108
Total,	137,512

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to end of May, 1903,	55,514
Do, do. in month of June, 1903,	272
Total,	55,786

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to end of May, 1903,	2,125	2,129	Number disposed of to end of May, 1903,	2,145
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	4		" in month of June, 1903,	6
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of May, 1903,	46	46		
Do. in month of June, 1903,	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to end of May, 1903,	1,066	1,066		
Applications in month of June, 1903,	—			
Total,	—	3,241	Total disposed of,	2,971

†The first notice of application to the Court, asking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1908,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1908.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 33.

Number of Applications received to end of May, 1903,	20	Applications granted to end of May, 1903,	7
" in month of June, 1903,	—	" in month of June, 1903,	—
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of May, 1903,	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of May, 1903,	11
" in month of June, 1903,	—	" in month of June, 1903,	—
		Applications withdrawn to end of May, 1903,	3
		" in month of June, 1903,	—
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to end of May, 1903,	5,137	Rents fixed to end of May, 1903,	4,498
" in June, 1903,	—	" in June, 1903,	2
		Applications dismissed, struck out and withdrawn to end of May, 1903,	410
		" in June, 1903,	—
Total,	5,137	Total disposed of,	—

VI.—APPEALS TO FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to end of May, 1903,	53,189	Number heard to end of May, 1903,	27,742	27,825
„ in month of June, 1903,	53	„ in month of June, 1903,	85	
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of May, 1903,	22,892	23,309
		„ in month of June, 1903,	17	
		Total Number disposed of,	—	56,784
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	2,506
Total,	53,242	Total,	—	53,242

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to end of May, 1903,	27,781	Number heard to end of May, 1903,	10,514	16,733
„ in month of June, 1903,	820	„ in month of June, 1903,	919	
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of May, 1903,	6,491	6,606
		„ in month of June, 1903,	113	
		Total Number disposed of,	—	17,347
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	10,784
Total,	28,101	Total,	—	28,101

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for	29,179	£ 11,452,066
Deduct Applications refused,	3,812	1,456,539
	25,367	9,995,527
Loans sanctioned	25,367	9,995,527
Loans issued	25,367	9,995,527

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896.

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(a) Loans Applied For.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans applied for to end of May, 1903,	43,009	12,414,544		
" in the month of June, 1903,	472	79,578		
	43,481	12,494,117		
Less number withdrawn in month of June, 1903, of applications lodged to end of May, 1903,	14	1,284	43,467	12,492,833
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans applied for to end of May, 1903,	4,130	1,007,298		
" in the month of June, 1903,	88	22,682	4,218	1,029,980
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans applied for to end of May, 1903,	97	98,394		
" in the month of June, 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans applied for to end of May, 1903,	2,835	749,787		
" in the month of June, 1903,	—	—	2,835	749,787
APPLICATIONS REFUSED:—				
Applications from Landlords and Tenants refused to end of June, 1903,	1,615	595,783	50,612	14,571,074
Purchase of Estates, Section 5, Act of 1885,	1,077	802,344		
Number and amount of Loans applied for to end of June, 1903, less appli- cations refused,			2,692	896,027
			47,920	13,475,047
(b) Loans Provisionally Sanctioned.				
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of May, 1903,	89,866	11,629,377		
" in the month of June, 1903,	894	52,688		
	40,260	11,682,145		
Orders rescinded in month of June, 1903, of those made to end of May, 1903,	2	389	40,268	11,681,756
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of May, 1903,	4,130	1,007,298		
" in the month of June, 1903,	88	22,682	4,218	1,029,980
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of May, 1903,	97	98,394		
" in the month of June, 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of May, 1903,	1,758	447,628		
" in the month of June, 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,628
Net number and amount of Loans sanctioned to end of June, 1903,			46,824	13,227,653

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896 (Continued).

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(c) Loans issued.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans issued to end of May, 1903,	37,339	10,993,030	37,392	11,027,982
" in month of June, 1903,	155	84,952		
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—			4,213	1,029,980
Loans issued to end of May, 1903,	4,130	1,007,398		
" in month of June, 1903,	83	22,582		
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—			95	98,014
Loans issued to end of May, 1903,	95	98,014		
" in month of June, 1903,	—	—		
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—			1,758	447,523
Loans issued to end of May, 1903,	1,758	447,523		
" in month of June, 1903,	—	—		
Number and amount of Loans issued to end of June, 1903.			43,458	12,503,439
(d) Advances made to the Congested Districts Board under Section 43 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896.				
Advances made to end of May, 1903,	52	458,508		
" in month of June, 1903,	—	—		
Total	—	—	52	458,508

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to end of May, 1903,	1,602	Number of cases in which consents to Redemption of Rents have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to end of May, 1903,	169	
" in June, 1903,	2	Number received in June, 1903,	—	169
		Number of cases in which no consents were received, and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to end of May, 1903,	1,423	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of June, 1903,	6	1,429
				1,598
		Number of cases in which applications have been received, but where time for lodgment of consents has not expired,	—	6
Total,	1,604	Total,	—	1,604

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 3.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF JUNE, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th June, 1903.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of May, 1903,	33,423		Rents fixed to end of May, 1903,	18,859	
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	10		" in month of June, 1903,	39	18,898
		33,433	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of May, 1903,	4,295	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to end of May, 1903,	4,444		" in month of June, 1903,	—	4,295
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	—		Applications withdrawn* to end of May, 1903,	525	
		4,444	" in month of June, 1903,	—	525
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending to end of May, 1903,	2,842		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of May, 1903,	12,475	
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	1		" in month of June, 1903,	15	12,490
		2,843	Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1884," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the end of May, 1903,	45	
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1884," to end of May, 1903,	142		" in month of June, 1903,	—	45
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	—		Total disposed of,	—	36,261
		142	Number to be disposed of,	—	4,411
Total,	—	40,662	Total,	—	40,662

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of May, 1903,	10,384		Rents fixed to end of May, 1903,	3,543	
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	19		" in month of June, 1903,	—	3,543
			Applications dismissed or struck out to end of May, 1903,	408	
			" in month of June, 1903,	—	408
			Applications withdrawn* to end of May, 1903,	160	
			" in month of June, 1903,	—	160
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to end of May, 1903,	5,221	
			" in month of June, 1903,	34	5,255
			Total disposed of,	—	9,506
			Number to be disposed of,	—	1,097
Total,	10,403		Total,	—	10,403

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred from applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) *Out of Court.*
FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, Fixing Fair Rent to end of May, 1903,					7,384
Do, do, in month of June, 1903,					1
Total,					7,385

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, Fixing a Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to end of May, 1903,					151
Do, do, in month of June, 1903,					—
Total,					151

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of May, 1903,	196	
Applications received to end of May, 1903,	683		" in month of June, 1903,	—	336
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	—	683	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of May, 1903,	46	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 33) received to end of May, 1903,	3		Transferred in month of June 1903,	—	45
Applications received in month of June, 1903,	—	3			
Total,	—	686	Total disposed of,	—	431

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, overness of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSOR OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,†	6	Leases or Grants declared void	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court	—
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	6

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING
UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of May, 1903, " in month of June, 1903,	28	Applications granted to end of May, 1903,	5	6
	—	" in month of June, 1903,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of May, 1903,	4	4
		" in month of June, 1903,	—	
		Applications withdrawn to end of May, 1903,	1	1
		" in month of June, 1903,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of May, 1903,	3	3
		" in month of June, 1903,	—	
Total,	23	Total disposed of,	—	14

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
17th July, 1903.

JOHN H. FRANKS.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF JULY, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," up to the 31st day of July, 1903; also of Proceedings up to same date under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883—1891;" and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of June, 1903, . . .	202,283		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of July, 1903, . . .	54	202,347	By Chief Commission to end of June, 1903, . . .	5,352	
			" in month of July, 1903, . . .	28	5,378
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of June, 1903, . . .	10,337				
Do. in month of July, 1903, . . .	11	10,348			
			By Sub-Commission to end of June, 1903, . . .	175,097	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of June, 1903, . . .	80,347		" in month of July, 1903, . . .	249	175,346
Applications received in month of July, 1903, . . .	4	80,351			
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents,* to end of June, 1903, . . .	1,429		Dismissed—		
Do. received in July, 1903, . . .	4	1,433	To end of June, 1903, . . .	9,884	
			In month of July, 1903, . . .	15	9,899
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of June, 1903, . . .	1,501		Struck out—		
Do. in month of July, 1903, . . .	—	1,501	To end of June, 1903, . . .	88,467	
			In month of July, 1903, . . .	16	88,483
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of June, 1903, . . .	565				
Do. in month of July, 1903, . . .	—	565	Withdrawn†—		
			To end of June, 1903, . . .	15,729	
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of June, 1903, . . .	45		In month of July, 1903, . . .	11	15,740
Do. in month of July, 1903, . . .	—	45			
			Total Number disposed of, . . .	—	244,846
			Number to be disposed of, . . .	—	2,414
Total, . . .	—	247,260	Total, . . .	—	247,260

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (In.), page 8.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of June, 1903,	71,974	72,140	Rents fixed— By Chief Commission to end of June, 1903,	2,365	2,529
Applications received in month of July, 1903,	166		" in month of July, 1903,	24	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of June, 1903,	5,255	5,281	By Sub-Commission to end of June, 1903,	50,918	51,807
Do. in month of July, 1903,	26		" in month of July, 1903,	979	
			Dismissed— To end of June, 1903,	992	997
			In month of July, 1903,	5	
			Struck out— To end of June, 1903,	10,379	10,447
			In month of July, 1903,	48	
			Withdrawn*— To end of June, 1903,	2,215	2,241
			In month of July, 1903,	26	
			Total Number disposed of,	—	67,931
			Number to be disposed of,	—	9,530
Total,	—	77,421	Total,	—	77,421

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred that applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to end of June, 1903,	187,512
Do., do. in month of July, 1903,	104
Total,	187,617

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to end of June, 1903,	35,786
Do., do. in month of July, 1903,	170
Total,	35,956

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to end of June, 1903,	2,129	2,135	Number disposed of to end of June, 1903,	2,371
Applications received in month of July, 1903,	6		" in month of July, 1903,	9
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of June, 1903,	46	46		
Do. in month of July, 1903,	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to end of June, 1903,	1,066	1,067		
Applications in month of July, 1903,	1			
Total,	—	3,248	Total disposed of,	2,380

†After first notice of application to the Court, making its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80

Number of Applications received to 28th February, 1903,	55	Leases or Grants declared void to end of July, 1903	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of July, 1903	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to end of July, 1903	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 28th February, 1903.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of June, 1903,	20	Applications granted to end of June, 1903,	7
" in month of July, 1903,	—	" in month of July, 1903,	—
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of June, 1903,	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of June, 1903,	11
" in month of July, 1903,	—	" in month of July, 1903,	—
	3	Applications withdrawn to end of June, 1903,	3
	—	" in month of July, 1903,	—
Total,	23	Total disposed of,	21

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to end of June, 1903,	4,187	Rents fixed to end of June, 1903,	4,500
" in July, 1903,	—	" in July, 1903,	—
		Applications dismissed, struck out and withdrawn to end of June, 1903,	410
		" in July, 1903,	—
Total,	4,187	Total disposed of,	4,910

VI.—APPEALS *re* FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to and of June, 1903,	53,242	Number heard to and of June, 1903,	27,825	
" in month of July, 1903,	38	" in month of July, 1903,	124	27,949
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of June, 1903,	22,909	
		" in month of July, 1903,	60	22,969
		Total Number disposed of,	—	50,918
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	2,382
Total,	53,300	Total,	—	53,300

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to end of June, 1903,	28,101	Number heard to and of June, 1903,	10,733	
" in month of July, 1903,	439	" in month of July, 1903,	497	11,230
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of June, 1903,	6,504	
		" in month of July, 1903,	187	6,691
		Total Number disposed of,	—	14,921
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	10,519
Total,	28,540	Total,	—	23,540

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for	25,179	£ 11,452,098
Deduct Applications refused,	8,812	1,650,599
	25,367	9,992,136
Loans sanctioned	25,367	9,992,136
Loans issued	25,367	9,992,136

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896.

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(a) Loans Applied For.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans applied for to end of June, 1903,	48,457	12,492,935		
" in the month of July, 1903,	143	33,276		
	48,610	12,526,209		
Less number withdrawn in month of July, 1903, of applications lodged to end of June, 1903,	8	483		
			48,602	12,525,726
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans applied for to end of June, 1903,	4,213	1,029,980		
" in the month of July, 1903,	59	20,474		
			4,272	1,050,454
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans applied for to end of June, 1903,	97	98,394		
" in the month of July, 1903,	—	—		
			97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans applied for to end of June, 1903,	2,835	749,767		
" in the month of July, 1903,	—	—		
			2,835	749,767
APPLICATIONS REFUSED:—				
Applications from Landlords and Tenants refused to end of July, 1903,	1,683	612,566	50,806	14,424,841
Purchase of Estates, Section 5, Act of 1885,	1,077	392,344		
			2,766	914,810
Number and amount of Loans applied for to end of July, 1903, less appli- cations refused,			48,040	12,509,531
(b) Loans Provisionally Sanctioned.				
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of June, 1903,	40,258	11,681,756		
" in the month of July, 1903,	919	106,096		
	41,188	11,787,852		
Orders rescinded in month of July, 1903, of those made to end of June, 1903,	50	17,108		
			41,118	11,770,749
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of June, 1903,	4,213	1,029,980		
" in the month of July, 1903,	59	20,474		
			4,272	1,050,454
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of June, 1903,	97	98,394		
" in the month of July, 1903,	—	—		
			97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of June, 1903,	1,758	447,523		
" in the month of July, 1903,	—	—		
			1,758	447,523
Net number and amount of Loans sanctioned to end of July, 1903,			47,245	12,567,120

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896 (Continued).

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(c) Loans Issued.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans issued to end of June, 1903,	37,892	11,037,982		
“ in month of July, 1903,	648	124,114	38,540	11,162,096
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans issued to end of June, 1903,	4,213	1,095,880		
“ in month of July, 1903,	59	20,474	4,272	1,060,454
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans issued to end of June, 1903,	95	98,014		
“ in month of July, 1903,	—	—	95	98,014
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans issued to end of June, 1903,	1,758	447,523		
“ in month of July, 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Number and amount of Loans issued to end of July, 1903,			44,165	12,748,087
(d) Advances made to the Congested Districts Board under Section 43 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896.				
Advances made to end of June, 1903,	52	468,508		
“ in month of July, 1903,	1	5		
Total	—	—	53	468,513

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to end of June, 1903,	1,604	Number of cases in which consents to Re- demption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to end of June, 1903,	169	
“ in July, 1903,	1	Number received in July, 1903,	1	170
		Number of cases in which no consents were received, and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to end of June, 1903,	1,439	
		Number of cases in which time had ex- pired for receiving consents in month of July, 1903,	4	1,443
		Number of cases in which applications have been received, but where time for lodgment of consents has not expired,	—	1,603
Total	1,605	Total,	—	1,605

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 2.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF JULY, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st July, 1903.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of June, 1903,	33,483		Rents fixed to end of June, 1903,	18,898	
Applications received in month of July, 1903,	5		" in month of July, 1903,	27	18,925
		33,488	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of June, 1903,	4,305	
Applications by Lessholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to end of June, 1903,	4,444		" in month of July, 1903,	12	4,307
Applications received in month of July, 1903,	—		Applications withdrawn* to end of June, 1903,	525	
		4,444	" in month of July, 1903,	4	529
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending to end of June, 1903,	2,643		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of June, 1903,	12,688	
Applications received in month of July, 1903,	1		" in month of July, 1903,	11	12,490
		2,644	Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the end of June, 1903,	45	
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of June, 1903,	142		" in month of July, 1903,	—	45
Applications received in month of July, 1903,	—		Total disposed of,	—	36,305
		142	Number to be disposed of,	—	4,365
Total,	—	40,668	Total,	—	40,668

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of June, 1903,	10,408		Rents fixed to end of June, 1903,	5,543	
Applications received in month of July, 1903,	20		" in month of July, 1903,	115	5,658
			Applications dismissed or struck out to end of June, 1903,	408	
			" in month of July, 1903,	2	410
			Applications withdrawn* to end of June, 1903,	100	
			" in month of July, 1903,	2	
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to end of June, 1903,	5,355	302
			" in month of July, 1903,	28	5,381
Total,	10,428		Total disposed of,	—	9,451
			Number to be disposed of,	—	972
			Total,	—	10,423

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred when applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a settlement has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) *Out of Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, Fixing Fair Rent to end of June, 1903,	7,338
Do, do, in month of July, 1903,	—
Total,	7,338

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, Fixing a Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to end of June, 1903,	151
Do, do, in month of July, 1903,	—
Total,	151

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of holdings, &c.):		Number disposed of to end of June, 1903,	385	
Applications received to end of June, 1903,	483	" in month of July, 1903,	—	385
Applications received in month of July, 1903,	1	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of June, 1903,	46	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 83) received to end of June, 1903,	3	Transferred in month of July 1903,	—	46
Applications received in month of July, 1903,	—			
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	431

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,†	6	Leases or Grants declared void	—
Applications dismissed or struck out		Applications withdrawn or compromised	—
Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court	—
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	6

†The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING
UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to and of June, 1903,	28	Applications granted to end of June, 1903,	6	
" in month of July, 1903,	—	" in month of July, 1903,	—	6
		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of June, 1903,	4	
		" in month of July, 1903,	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to end of June, 1903,	1	
		" in month of July, 1903,	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of June, 1903,	3	
		" in month of July, 1903,	—	3
Total,	28	Total disposed of,	—	14

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
28th September, 1903.

JOHN H. FRANKS.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF AUGUST, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," up to the 31st day of August, 1903; also of Proceedings up to same date under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883—1891;" and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of July, 1903,	202,947		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of Aug., 1903,	33		By Chief Commission to end of July, 1903,	5,873	
		202,980	" in month of Aug., 1903,	3	5,881
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of July, 1903,	10,998				
Do. in month of Aug., 1903,	3				
		11,001			
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of July, 1903,	30,371		By Sub-Commission to end of July, 1903,	175,846	
Applications received in month of Aug., 1903,	6		" in month of Aug., 1903,	209	175,555
		30,377			
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents, to end of July, 1903,	1,433		Dismissed—		
Do. received in Aug., 1903,	2		To end of July, 1903,	9,899	
		1,435	In month of Aug., 1903,	2	9,901
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of July, 1903,	1,501				
Do. in month of Aug., 1903,	—		Struck out—		
		1,501	To end of July, 1903,	38,483	
			In month of Aug., 1903,	3	38,486
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of July, 1903,	565				
Do. in month of Aug., 1903,	—				
		565	Withdrawn—		
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of July, 1903,	45		To end of July, 1903,	15,740	
Do. in month of Aug., 1903,	—		In month of Aug., 1903,	2	15,742
		45			
			Total Number disposed of,	—	245,063
			Number to be disposed of,	—	2,239
Total,	—	247,304	Total,	—	247,304

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (B.), page 8.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave so to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of July, 1903,	72,140		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of Aug., 1903,	131		By Chief Commissioner to end of July, 1903,	2,829	
		72,271	" in month of Aug., 1903,	11	2,840
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of July, 1903,	5,281		By Sub-Commissioner to end of July, 1903,	51,897	
Do. in month of Aug., 1903,	—	5,281	" in month of Aug., 1903,	1,520	
			Dismissed—		53,417
			To end of July, 1903,	967	
			In month of Aug., 1903,	1	
			Struck out—		968
			To end of July, 1903,	10,427	
			In month of Aug., 1903,	2	
			Withdrawn—		10,429
			To end of July, 1903,	2,241	
			In month of Aug., 1903,	10	
					2,251
			Total Number disposed of,	—	69,235
			Number to be disposed of,	—	8,317
Total,	—	77,552	Total,	—	77,552

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be noticed where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a suit has been opened upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to end of July, 1903,	137,617
Do., do. in month of Aug., 1903,	59
Total,	137,676

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to end of July, 1903,	36,955
Do., do. in month of Aug., 1903,	116
Total,	37,071

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of July, 1903,	2,980
Applications received to end of July, 1903,	2,135		" in month of Aug., 1903,	6
Applications received in month of Aug., 1903,	5	2,140		
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of July, 1903,	46			
Do. in month of Aug., 1903,	—	46		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to end of July, 1903,	1,067			
Applications in month of Aug., 1903,	—	1,067		
Total,	—	3,253	Total disposed of,	2,986

†The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease or for other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act is termed an originating notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1st JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void	23
		Applications dismissed or struck out	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of July, 1903,	20	Applications granted to end of July, 1903,	7	
" in month of Aug., 1903,	—	" in month of Aug., 1903,	—	7
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of July, 1903,	8	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of July, 1903,	11	
" in month of Aug., 1903,	—	" in month of Aug., 1903,	—	11
		Applications withdrawn to end of July, 1903,	8	
		" in month of Aug., 1903,	—	8
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	21

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to end of July, 1903,	5,137	Bents fixed to end of July, 1903,	4,500	
" in Aug., 1903,	19	" in Aug., 1903,	—	4,500
		Applications dismissed, struck out and withdrawn to end of July, 1903,	410	
		" in Aug., 1903,	—	410
Total,	5,156	Total disposed of,	—	4,910

VI.—APPEALS *re* FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to end of July, 1903,	53,300	Number heard to end of July, 1903,	27,949	
„ in month of Aug., 1903,	96	„ in month of Aug., 1903,	—	27,949
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of July, 1903,	22,940	
		„ in month of Aug., 1903,	—	22,940
		Total Number disposed of,	—	50,889
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	2,473
Total,	53,396	Total,	—	53,396

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to end of July, 1903,	28,540	Number heard to end of July, 1903,	11,230	
„ in month of Aug., 1903,	375	„ in month of Aug., 1903,	—	11,230
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of July, 1903,	6,791	
		„ in month of Aug., 1903,	—	6,791
		Total Number disposed of,	—	18,021
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	10,594
Total,	28,915	Total,	—	28,915

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for	29,179	£ 11,452,056
Deduct Applications refused,	3,612	1,459,536
	25,567	9,992,520
Loans sanctioned	25,567	9,992,520
Loans issued	25,567	9,992,520

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896.

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(a) Loans Applied For.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans applied for to end of July, 1903,	43,602	12,525,726		
„ in the month of Aug., 1903,	62	5,011		
	43,664	12,531,737		
Less number withdrawn in month of Aug., 1903, of applications lodged to end of July, 1903,	4	414	43,660	12,531,323
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans applied for to end of July, 1903,	4,272	1,050,454		
„ in the month of Aug., 1903,	—	—	4,272	1,050,454
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans applied for to end of July, 1903,	97	98,394		
„ in the month of Aug., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans applied for to end of July, 1903,	2,835	749,767		
„ in the month of Aug., 1903,	—	—	2,835	749,767
APPLICATIONS REFUSED:—			50,864	14,429,338
Applications from Landlords and Tenants refused to end of Aug., 1903,	1,681	814,452		
Purchase of Estates, Section 5, Act of 1885,	1,077	309,244		
Number and amount of Loans applied for to end of Aug., 1903, less appli- cations refused,			2,768	216,696
			48,096	13,512,242
(b) Loans Provisionally Sanctioned.				
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of July, 1903,	41,118	11,770,749		
„ in the month of Aug., 1903,	6	5,808		
	41,124	11,776,557		
Orders rescinded in month of Aug., 1903, of those made to end of July, 1903,	1	60	41,123	11,776,497
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of July, 1903,	4,272	1,050,454		
„ in the month of Aug., 1903,	—	—	4,272	1,050,454
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of July, 1903,	97	98,394		
„ in the month of Aug., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of July, 1903,	1,758	447,523		
„ in the month of Aug., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Net number and amount of Loans sanctioned to end of Aug., 1903,			47,220	13,372,868

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896 (*Continued*).

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(a) Loans issued.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— Acts, 1891-96:—				
Loans issued to end of July, 1903,	38,040	11,152,096		
“ in month of Aug., 1903,	6	7,204	38,046	11,159,300
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans issued to end of July, 1903,	4,272	1,050,454		
“ in month of Aug., 1903,	—	—	4,272	1,050,454
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans issued to end of July, 1903,	95	98,014		
“ in month of Aug., 1903,	—	—	95	98,014
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1886:—				
Loans issued to end of July, 1903,	1,758	447,523		
“ in month of Aug., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Number and amount of Loans issued to end of Aug., 1903.			44,171	12,755,291
(d) Advances made to the Congested Districts Board under Section 43 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896.				
Advances made to end of July, 1903,	58	468,513		
“ in month of Aug., 1903,	—	—		
Total	—	—	58	468,513

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to end of July, 1903,	1,605	Number of cases in which consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to end of July, 1903,	170	
“ in Aug., 1903,	—	Number received in Aug., 1903,	—	170
		Number of cases in which no consents were received, and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to end of July, 1903,	1,435	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of Aug., 1903,	2	1,435
				1,605
		Number of cases in which applications have been received, but where time for Indigment of consents has not expired,	—	—
Total,	1,605	Total,	—	1,605

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 5.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF AUGUST, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st August, 1903.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of July, 1903,	33,438	33,447	Rents fixed to end of July, 1903,	18,925	18,949
Applications received in month of August, 1903,	9		" in month of Aug., 1903,	24	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to end of July, 1903,	4,444	4,446	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of July, 1903,	4,507	4,314
Applications received in month of August, 1903,	2		" in month of Aug., 1903,	7	
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an adjournment is pending to end of July, 1903,	2,644	2,644	Applications withdrawn* to end of July, 1903,	529	530
Applications received in month of August, 1903,	—		" in month of Aug., 1903,	1	
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1886," to end of July, 1903,	142	142	Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission to end of July, 1903,	12,499	12,509
Applications received in month of August, 1903,	—		" in month of Aug., 1903,	3	
			Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1886," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the end of July, 1903,	45	45
			" in month of Aug., 1903,	—	
Total,	—	40,679	Total disposed of,	—	36,340
			Number to be disposed of,	—	4,329
			Total,	—	40,679

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of July, 1903,	10,423	10,425	Rents fixed to end of July, 1903,	3,658	3,769
Applications received in month of Aug., 1903,	31		" in month of Aug., 1903,	111	
			Applications dismissed or struck out to end of July, 1903,	410	419
			" in month of Aug., 1903,	9	
			Applications withdrawn* to end of July, 1903,	102	103
			" in month of Aug., 1903,	1	
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to end of July, 1903,	5,281	5,281
			" in month of Aug., 1903,	—	
Total,	10,454		Total disposed of,	—	9,572
			Number to be disposed of,	—	882
			Total,	—	10,454

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred that applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon, between the parties.

(b.) *Out of Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, Fixing Fair Rent to end of July, 1903,	7,508
Do., do. in month of Aug., 1903,	—
Total,	7,508

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, Fixing a Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to end of July, 1903,	151
Do., do. in month of Aug., 1903,	—
Total,	151

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of July, 1903,	386	
Applications received to end of July, 1903,	694		" in month of Aug., 1903,	—	386
Applications received in month of Aug., 1903,	1		Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of July, 1903,	46	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 33) received to end of July, 1903,	3	685	Transferred in month of Aug., 1903,	—	46
Applications received in month of Aug., 1903,	—	3			
Total,	—	698	Total disposed of,	—	432

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease, &c., or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1889, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 3)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888, †	6	Leases or Grants declared void	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court	—
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	6

† The time limited by the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1889.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING
UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1837"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of July, 1903, . . .	23	Applications granted to end of July, 1903, . . .	6	
" in month of Aug., 1903, . . .	—	" in month of Aug., 1903, . . .	—	6
		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of July, 1903, . . .	4	
		" in month of Aug., 1903, . . .	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to end of July, 1903, . . .	1	
		" in month of Aug., 1903, . . .	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of July, 1903, . . .	3	
		" in month of Aug., 1903, . . .	—	3
Total, . . .	23	Total disposed of, . . .	—	14

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
2nd October, 1903.

JOHN H. FRANKS.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

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Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," up to the 30th day of September, 1903; also of Proceedings up to same date under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883—1891;" and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	202,380		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	72	202,452	By Chief Commission to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	5,381	
			" in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	5,381
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	11,001				
Do. in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	4	11,005			
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	80,877		By Sub-Commission to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	175,555	
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	8	80,885	" in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	175,555
		80,893			
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents,* to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	1,435		Dismissed—		
Do. received in Sept., 1903, . . .	—	1,435	To end of Aug., 1903, . . .	9,901	
			In month of Sept., 1903, . . .	1	9,902
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	1,501				
Do. in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	1,501	Struck out—		
			To end of Aug., 1903, . . .	38,486	
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	565		In month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	38,486
Do. in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	565			
			Withdrawn—		
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	45		To end of Aug., 1903, . . .	15,742	
Do. in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	45	In month of Sept., 1903, . . .	1	15,743
			Total Number disposed of, . . .	—	245,957
			Number to be disposed of, . . .	—	2,816
Total, . . .	—	247,863	Total, . . .	—	247,853

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (ix.), page 8.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave so to withdraw are made, that a deal has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of Aug., 1903,	72,271	72,507	Rents fixed— By Chief Commission to end of Aug., 1903,	2,340	2,330
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	236		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Aug., 1903,	5,281	5,204	By Sub-Commission to end of Aug., 1903,	33,217	53,219
Do. in month of Sept., 1903,	11		" in month of Sept., 1903,	2	
			Dismissed— To end of Aug., 1903,	798	998
			In month of Sept., 1903,	—	
			Struck out— To end of Aug., 1903,	—	10,429
			In month of Sept., 1903,	10,429	
			Withdrawn*— To end of Aug., 1903,	2,251	2,255
			In month of Sept., 1903,	4	
			Total Number disposed of, Number to be disposed of,	—	62,241
Total,	—	77,799	Total,	—	8,538
					77,799

*An application to set a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it very be inferred, where applications are here so withdrawn are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to end of Aug., 1903,	187,675
Do., do. in month of Sept., 1903,	48
Total,	187,723

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to end of Aug., 1903,	37,672
Do., do. in month of Sept., 1903,	139
Total,	37,811

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.); Applications received to end of Aug., 1903,	2,140	2,142	Number disposed of to end of Aug., 1903,	2,386
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	2		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Aug., 1903,	46	46		
Do. in month of Sept., 1903,	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to end of Aug., 1903,	1,067	1,067		
Applications in month of Sept., 1903,	—			
Total,	—	3,255	Total disposed of,	2,386

†The first notice of application to the Court, whether in discharge under the term value of a tenancy, fair rent, resumption of lease or other provision which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEES OR GRANTEES TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1st JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 30

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of Aug., 1903,	20	Applications granted to end of Aug., 1903,	7
" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	" in month of Sept., 1903,	—
Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Aug., 1903,	8	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Aug., 1903,	11
" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	" in month of Sept., 1903,	—
	8	Applications withdrawn to end of Aug., 1903,	3
		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	31

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to end of Aug., 1903,	5,156	Rents fixed to end of Aug., 1903,	4,509
" in Sept., 1903,	—	" in Sept., 1903,	133
		Applications dismissed, struck out and withdrawn to end of Aug., 1903,	410
		" in Sept., 1903,	—
Total,	5,156	Total disposed of,	5,035

VI.—APPEALS *vs* FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to end of Aug., 1903,	53,396	Number heard to end of Aug., 1903,	27,949	
" in month of Sept., 1903,	186	" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	27,949
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of Aug., 1903,	22,960	
		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	21,369
		Total Number disposed of,	—	50,918
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	2,614
Total,	53,582	Total,	—	53,582

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to end of Aug., 1903,	28,915	Number heard to end of Aug., 1903,	11,230	
" in month of Sept., 1903,	859	" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	11,230
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of Aug., 1903,	6,791	
		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	6,791
		Total Number disposed of,	—	18,021
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	11,563
Total,	29,774	Total,	—	29,774

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for	29,170	£ 11,452,008
Deduct Applications refused,	8,812	1,489,536
	20,358	9,962,472
Loans sanctioned	25,367	9,992,131
Loans issued	25,367	9,992,136

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896.

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(a) Loans Applied For.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans applied for to end of Aug., 1903,	48,660	12,531,328		
„ in the month of Sept., 1903,	63	15,830		
	48,723	12,547,158		
Less number withdrawn in month of Sept., 1903, of applications lodged to end of Aug., 1903,	7	2,408	43,716	12,542,746
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans applied for to end of Aug., 1903,	4,273	1,050,454		
„ in the month of Sept., 1903,	23	8,148	4,293	1,053,607
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans applied for to end of Aug., 1903,	97	98,394		
„ in the month of Sept., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans applied for to end of Aug., 1903,	2,835	749,767		
„ in the month of Sept., 1903,	—	—	2,835	749,767
APPLICATIONS REFUSED:—			50,943	14,444,508
Applications from Landlords and Tenants refused to end of Sept., 1903,	1,689	614,614		
Purchase of Estates, Section 5, Act of 1885,	1,077	302,244		
			2,766	916,688
Number and amount of Loans applied for to end of Sept., 1903, less appli- cations refused,			48,177	13,527,845
(b) Loans Provisionally Sanctioned.				
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Aug., 1903,	41,128	11,776,497		
„ in the month of Sept., 1903,	249	32,799		
	41,372	11,809,296		
Orders rescinded in month of Sept., 1903, of those made to end of Aug., 1903,	7	2,189	41,365	11,807,107
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Aug., 1903,	4,272	1,050,454		
„ in the month of Sept., 1903,	23	8,148	4,293	1,053,607
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Aug., 1903,	97	98,394		
„ in the month of Sept., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Aug., 1903,	1,758	447,323		
„ in the month of Sept., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,323
Net number and amount of Loans sanctioned to end of Sept., 1903,			47,515	13,406,821

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896 (Continued).

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(c) Loans Issued.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-95:—				
Loans issued to end of Aug., 1903,	38,046	11,159,300		
" in month of Sept., 1903,	2	140	38,048	11,159,440
SECTION 43 OF LAND ACT OF 1895:—				
Loans issued to end of Aug., 1903,	4,272	1,050,434		
" in month of Sept., 1903,	23	3,143	4,295	1,053,577
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans issued to end of Aug., 1903,	95	98,014		
" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	—	95	98,014
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans issued to end of Aug., 1903,	1,758	447,523		
" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Number and amount of Loans issued to end of Sept., 1903.			44,196	12,758,574
(d) Advances made to the Congested Districts Board under Section 43 of the Land Law (Ireland Act, 1896.				
Advances made to end of Aug., 1903,	53	468,513		
" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	—		
Total	—	—	53	468,513

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to end of Aug., 1903,	1,606	Number of cases in which consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to end of Aug., 1903,	170	
" in Sept., 1903,	1	Number received in Sept., 1903,	—	170
		Number of cases in which no consents were received, and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to end of Aug., 1903,	1,435	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of Sept., 1903,	—	1,435
				1,435
		Number of cases in which applications have been received, but where time for lodgment of consents has not expired,	—	1
Total,	1,606	Total,	—	1,606

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table on page 7

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th September, 1903.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Aug., 1903,	33,447		Rents fixed to end of Aug., 1903,	18,919	
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	21		" in month of Sept., 1903,	3	18,952
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to end of Aug., 1903,	4,448		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Aug., 1903,	4,314	
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	2		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	4,314
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending to end of Aug., 1903,	2,644		Applications withdrawn* to end of Aug., 1903,	530	
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	—		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	530
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1894," to end of Aug., 1903,	142		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Aug., 1903,	12,502	
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	—		" in month of Sept., 1903,	4	12,506
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1894," to end of Aug., 1903,	142		Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1894," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the end of Aug., 1903,	45	
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	—		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	45
Total,	—	40,703	Total disposed of,	—	36,347
			Number to be disposed of,	—	4,355
			Total,	—	40,702

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of Aug., 1903,	10,454		Rents fixed to end of Aug., 1903,	3,769	
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	30		" in month of Sept., 1903,	5	3,774
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1894," to end of Aug., 1903,	103		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Aug., 1903,	419	
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	—		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	419
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1894," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the end of Aug., 1903,	11		Applications withdrawn* to end of Aug., 1903,	103	
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	—		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	103
Total,	—	10,484	Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to end of Aug., 1903,	5,281	
			" in month of Sept., 1903,	11	5,292
			Total disposed of,	—	9,588
			Number to be disposed of,	—	896
			Total,	—	10,484

*An Application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred from applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a suit has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 14, Fixing Fair Rent to end of Aug., 1903,				7,318
Do., do., in month of Sept., 1903,				—
Total,				7,318

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 14, Fixing a Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to end of Aug., 1903,				151
Do., do., in month of Sept., 1903,				—
Total,				151

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of Aug., 1903,	386	
Applications received to end of Aug., 1903,	685		" in month of Sept., 1903,	—	386
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	1		Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Aug., 1903,	46	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 38) received to end of Aug., 1903,	3	686	Transferred in month of Sept., 1903,	—	46
Applications received in month of Sept., 1903,	—	3			
Total,	—	686	Total disposed of,	—	432

* The last notice of application to the Court, making its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, due rent, provision of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 22nd February, 1888, +	6	Leases or Grants declared void	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court	—
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	6

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an application of this kind expired on the 22nd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING
UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	23	Applications granted to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	6	
.. in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	.. in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	6
		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	4	
		.. in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	1	
		.. in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Aug., 1903, . . .	3	
		.. in month of Sept., 1903, . . .	—	3
Total, . . .	23	Total disposed of, . . .	—	14

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
6th October, 1903.

JOHN H. FRANKS.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

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COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Sept., 1903,	202,452		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903,	211	202,663	By Chief Commission to end of Sept., 1903,	5,381	
			" in month of Oct., 1903,	3	5,384
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of Sept.,	11,005				
Do. in month of Oct., 1903,	—	11,005			
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Sept., 1903,	30,830		By Sub-Commission to end of Sept., 1903,	175,555	
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903,	11	30,841	" in month of Oct., 1903,	27	175,582
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents,* to end of Sept., 1903,	1,435		Dismissed—		
Do. received in Oct., 1903,	—	1,435	To end of Sept., 1903,	9,903	
			In month of Oct., 1903,	13	9,916
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of Sept., 1903,	1,501		Struck out—		
Do. in month of Oct., 1903,	—	1,501	To end of Sept., 1903,	38,486	
			In month of Oct., 1903,	30	38,516
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of Sept., 1903,	505				
Do. in month of Oct., 1903,	11	516	Withdrawn†—		
			To end of Sept., 1903,	15,743	
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Sept., 1903,	45		In month of Oct., 1903,	29	15,772
Do. in month of Oct., 1903,	—	45	Total Number disposed of, Number to be disposed of,	—	245,102
				—	2,454
Total,	—	247,616	Total,	—	247,616

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (B.), page 8.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred when applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of Sept., 1903.	72,507	78,591	Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903.	1,084		By Chief Commission to end of Sept., 1903.	2,340	
			" in month of Oct., 1903.	7	2,347
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Sept., 1903.	5,292	5,293	By Sub-Commission to end of Sept., 1903.	53,219	
Do. in month of Oct., 1903.	1		" in month of Oct., 1903.	89	53,358
			Dismissed—		
			To end of Sept., 1903.	998	
			In month of Oct., 1903.	9	1,007
			Struck out—		
			To end of Sept., 1903.	16,429	
			In month of Oct., 1903.	456	16,885
			Withdrawn—		
			To end of Sept., 1903.	2,756	
			In month of Oct., 1903.	27	2,822
			Total Number disposed of.	—	63,779
			Number to be disposed of.	—	9,105
Total.	—	78,884	Total.	—	78,884

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to end of Sept., 1903.	137,796
Do. do. in month of Oct., 1903.	123
Total.	137,839

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to end of Sept., 1903.	37,201
Do. do. in month of Oct., 1903.	201
Total.	37,403

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of Sept., 1903.	2,286
Applications received to end of Sept., 1903.	2,142	2,149	" in month of Oct., 1903.	3
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903.	7			
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Sept., 1903.	46	46		
Do. in month of Oct., 1903.	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to end of Sept., 1903.	1,067	1,067		
Applications in month of Oct., 1903.	—			
Total.	—	3,262	Total disposed of.	2,289

†The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, revocation of leases or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1903,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1903.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of Sept., 1903,	20	30	Applications granted to end of Sept., 1903,	7	7
" in month of Oct., 1903,	—		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Sept., 1903,	8	2	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Sept., 1903,	11	11
" in month of Oct., 1903,	—		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	
		2	Applications withdrawn to end of Sept., 1903,	3	3
			" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	
Total,	—	23	Total disposed of,	—	21

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1823-1891.

Applications received to end of Sept., 1903,	5,156	Rents fixed to end of Sept., 1903,	4,623	4,625
" in Oct., 1903,	—	" in Oct., 1903,	2	
		Applications dismissed, struck out and withdrawn to end of Sept., 1903,	410	411
		" in Oct., 1903,	1	
Total,	5,156	Total disposed of,	—	5,037

VI.—APPEALS *re* FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to end of Sept., 1903,	53,532	Number heard to end of Sept., 1903,	27,949	27,970
„ in month of Oct., 1903,	82	„ in month of Oct., 1903,	27	
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of Sept., 1903,	23,869	23,613
		„ in month of Oct., 1903,	44	
		Total Number disposed of,	—	50,969
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	3,025
Total,	53,614	Total,	—	53,614

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to end of Sept., 1903,	29,574	Number heard to end of Sept., 1903,	11,130	11,369
„ in month of Oct., 1903,	724	„ in month of Oct., 1903,	139	
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of Sept., 1903,	6,791	6,976
		„ in month of Oct., 1903,	185	
		Total Number disposed of,	—	18,345
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	11,938
Total,	30,298	Total,	—	30,298

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for	29,179	£ 11,452,066
Deduct Applications refused,	8,612	1,450,530
	25,367	9,992,536
Loans sanctioned	25,367	9,992,536
Loans issued	25,367	9,992,536

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896.

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(a) Loans Applied For.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— Acts, 1891-96:—				
Loans applied for to end of Sept., 1903,	43,716	12,542,745		
„ in the month of Oct., 1903,	7	962		
	43,723	12,543,707		
Less number withdrawn in month of Oct., 1903, of applications lodged to end of Sept., 1903,	—	5	43,723	12,543,702
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans applied for to end of Sept., 1903,	4,295	1,053,597		
„ in the month of Oct., 1903,	26	3,751	4,321	1,057,348
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans applied for to end of Sept., 1903,	97	98,394		
„ in the month of Oct., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans applied for to end of Sept., 1903,	2,885	749,767		
„ in the month of Oct., 1903,	—	—	2,885	749,767
APPLICATIONS REFUSED:—				
Applications from Landlords and Tenants refused to end of Oct., 1903,	1,694	614,748		
Purchase of Estates, Section 5, Act of 1885,	1,077	302,344		
			2,771	916,992
Number and amount of Loans applied for to end of Oct., 1903, less appli- cations refused,			48,205	13,582,219
(b) Loans Provisionally Sanctioned.				
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— Acts, 1891-96:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Sept., 1903,	41,565	11,807,107		
„ in the month of Oct., 1903,	217	42,461		
	41,582	11,849,568		
Orders rescinded in month of Oct., 1903, of those made to end of Sept., 1903,	3	300	41,579	11,849,268
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Sept., 1903,	4,295	1,053,597		
„ in the month of Oct., 1903,	26	3,751	4,321	1,057,348
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Sept., 1903,	97	98,394		
„ in the month of Oct., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Sept., 1903,	1,758	447,523		
„ in the month of Oct., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Net number and amount of Loans sanctioned to end of Oct., 1903,			47,755	13,452,533

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896 (Continued).

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(c) Loans Issued.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— Acts, 1891-95:—				
Loans issued to end of Sept., 1903,	38,048	11,159,440		
" in month of Oct., 1903,	592	24,024	38,640	11,183,464
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans issued to end of Sept., 1903,	4,205	1,052,597		
" in month of Oct., 1903,	26	3,751	4,231	1,057,348
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans issued to end of Sept., 1903,	95	98,014		
" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	—	95	98,014
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans issued to end of Sept., 1903,	1,758	447,523		
" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Number and amount of Loans issued to end of Oct., 1903.			44,524	12,786,349
(d) Advances made to the Congested Districts Board under Section 43 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896.				
Advances made to end of Sept., 1903,	53	468,513		
" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	—		
Total	—	—	53	468,513

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to end of Sept., 1903,	1,606	Number of cases in which consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to end of Sept., 1903,	170	
" in Oct., 1903,	7	Number received in Oct., 1903,	—	170
		Number of cases in which no consents were received, and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to end of Sept., 1903,	1,455	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of Oct., 1903,	—	1,455
		Number of cases in which applications have been received, but where time for lodgment of consents has not expired,	—	8
Total,	1,613	Total,	—	1,613

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 5.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st October, 1903.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Sept., 1903,	33,468		Rents fixed to end of Sept., 1903,	18,952	
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903,	12		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	18,952
		33,480	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Sept., 1903,	4,314	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to end of Sept., 1903,	4,448		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	4,314
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903,	1		Applications withdrawn* to end of Sept., 1903,	530	
		4,449	" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	530
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending to end of Sept., 1903,	2,644		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Sept., 1903,	12,506	
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903,	1		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	12,506
		2,645	Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1895," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the end of Sept., 1903,	45	
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1895," to end of Sept., 1903,	142		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	45
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903,	—		Total disposed of,	—	56,347
		142	Number to be disposed of,	—	4,869
Total,	—	40,716	Total,	—	40,716

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of Sept., 1903,	10,484		Rents fixed to end of Sept., 1903,	3,774	
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903,	51		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	3,774
			Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Sept., 1903,	419	
			" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	419
			Applications withdrawn* to end of Sept., 1903,	108	
			" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	108
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to end of Sept., 1903,	5,293	
			" in month of Oct., 1903,	1	5,293
			Total disposed of,	—	9,589
			Number to be disposed of,	—	946
Total,	10,535		Total,	—	10,535

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred from applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, Fixing Fair Rent to end of Sept., 1903,				7,358
Do., do., in month of Oct., 1903,				—
Total,				7,358

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, Fixing a Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to end of Sept., 1903,				151
Do., do., in month of Oct., 1903,				—
Total,				151

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of Sept., 1903,	386	
Applications received to end of Sept., 1903,	586		in month of Oct., 1903,	—	386
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903,	—	486	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Sept., 1903,	46	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 38) received to end of Sept., 1903,	3		Transferred in month of Oct., 1903,	—	46
Applications received in month of Oct., 1903,	—	3			
Total,	—	489	Total disposed of,	—	432

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, full rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is treated as Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 28th February, 1888,†	6	Leases or Grants declared void	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court	—
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	6

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 28th February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING
UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of Sept., 1903,	23	Applications granted to end of Sept., 1903,	6	
" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	6
		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Sept., 1903,	4	
		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to end of Sept., 1903,	1	
		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Sept., 1903,	3	
		" in month of Oct., 1903,	—	3
Total,	23	Total disposed of,	—	14

JAMES LAND COMMISSION,
20th November, 1903.

JOHN H. FRANKS.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN OF PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW ACTS," "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891,"
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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," up to the 30th day of November, 1903; also of Proceedings up to same date under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883-1891;" and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Oct., 1903,	202,863		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903,	125		By Chief Commission to end of Oct., 1903,	5,884	
		202,738	" in month of Nov., 1903,	18	5,402
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of Oct., 1903,	11,005				
Do. in month of Nov., 1903,	17	11,022	By Sub-Commission to end of Oct., 1903,	175,582	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Oct., 1903,	30,391		" in month of Nov., 1903,	92	175,674
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903,	5	30,396			
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents, to end of Oct., 1903,	1,435		Dismissed—		
Do. received in Nov., 1903,	—	1,435	To end of Oct., 1903,	9,915	
			In month of Nov., 1903,	30	9,935
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of Oct., 1903,	1,501		Struck out—		
Do. in month of Nov., 1903,	1	1,502	To end of Oct., 1903,	88,816	
			In month of Nov., 1903,	28	88,544
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of Oct., 1903,	576				
Do. in month of Nov., 1903,	6	582	Withdrawn†—		
			To end of Oct., 1903,	15,765	
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Oct., 1903,	45		In month of Nov., 1903,	1	15,766
Do. in month of Nov., 1903,	—	45	Total Number disposed of,	—	245,391
			Number to be disposed of,	—	2,443
Total,	—	247,770	Total,	—	247,770

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (vii.), page 6.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of Oct., 1903,	73,531	79,968	Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903,	377		By Chief Commissioner to end of Oct., 1903,	2,347	
			" in month of Nov., 1903,	63	2,410
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Oct., 1903,	5,293	5,343	By Sub-Commissioner to end of Oct., 1903,	53,258	
Do. in month of Nov., 1903,	50		" in month of Nov., 1903,	610	53,768
			Dismissed—		
			To end of Oct., 1903,	1,007	
			In month of Nov., 1903,	4	1,011
			Struck out—		
			To end of Oct., 1903,	10,835	
			In month of Nov., 1903,	121	11,056
			Withdrawn*—		
			To end of Oct., 1903,	2,382	
			In month of Nov., 1903,	25	2,407
			Total Number disposed of,	—	70,508
			Number to be disposed of,	—	8,309
Total,	—	79,311	Total,	—	79,311

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be taken when applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to end of Oct., 1903,	137,839
Do., do. in month of Nov., 1903,	202
Total,	138,041

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to end of Oct., 1903,	37,403
Do., do. in month of Nov., 1903,	396
Total,	37,798

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES. †

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of Oct., 1903,	2,360
Applications received to end of Oct., 1903,	2,149	2,156	" in month of Nov., 1903,	5
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903,	7			
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Oct., 1903,	46	46		
Do. in month of Nov., 1903,	—			
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to end of Oct., 1903,	1,087	1,087		
Applications in month of Nov., 1903,	—			
Total,	—	5,269	Total disposed of,	2,364

†The first notice of application to the Court, seeking the decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, &c., is called a Miscellaneous Originating Notice, and it is upon this notice that the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act in respect of Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTED TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1st JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 50.

Number of Applications received to 29th February, 1888,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 29th February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of Oct., 1903,	20	20	Applications granted to end of Oct., 1903,	7	7
" in month of Nov., 1903,	—		" in month of Nov., 1903,	—	
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Oct., 1903,	3	8	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Oct., 1903,	11	11
" in month of Nov., 1903,	—		" in month of Nov., 1903,	—	
		8	Applications withdrawn to end of Oct., 1903,	3	3
			" in month of Nov., 1903,	—	
Total,	—	28	Total disposed of,	—	21

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to end of Oct., 1903,	5,156	Rents fixed to end of Oct., 1903,	4,626	4,626
" Nov., in 1903,	—	" in Nov., 1903,	—	
		Applications dismissed, struck out and withdrawn to end of Oct., 1903,	411	411
		" in Nov., 1903,	—	
Total,	5,156	Total disposed of,	—	5,087

VI.—APPEALS *re* FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to end of Oct., 1903,	53,614	Number heard to end of Oct., 1903,	27,976	
" in month of Nov., 1903,	4	" in month of Nov., 1903,	5	27,982
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of Oct., 1903,	27,913	
		" in month of Nov., 1903,	12	23,023
		Total Number disposed of,	—	51,907
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	2,511
Total,	53,618	Total,	—	52,618

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to end of Oct., 1903,	30,258	Number heard to end of Oct., 1903,	11,369	
" in month of Nov., 1903,	18	" in month of Nov., 1903,	40	11,409
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of Oct., 1903,	6,976	
		" in month of Nov., 1903,	31	7,007
		Total Number disposed of,	—	18,416
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	11,895
Total,	30,311	Total,	—	30,311

VII.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to end of Oct., 1903,	1,613	Number of cases in which consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to end of Oct., 1903,	170	
" in Nov., 1903,	2	Number received in Nov., 1903,	—	170
		Number of cases in which no consents were received, and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to end of Oct., 1903,	1,435	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of Nov., 1903,	—	1,435
				1,606
		Number of cases in which applications have been received, but where time for lodgment of consents has not expired,	—	10
Total,	1,615	Total,	—	1,615

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 2.

VIII.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LAND PURCHASE ACTS.

(a) PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

Advances in Cash—4 Per Cent. Annuities Payable by Tenant Purchasers.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for	23,179	£ 11,452,066
Deduct Applications refused,	8,812	1,455,530
	25,967	9,992,536
Loans sanctioned	25,967	9,992,536
Loans issued	25,967	9,992,536

(b).—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896.

Advances in Guaranteed Land Stock—4 Per Cent. Annuities payable by Tenant Purchasers.

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(a) Loans Applied For.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— Acts, 1891-96:—				
Loans applied for to end of Oct., 1903,	43,728	12,543,792		
“ in the month of Nov., 1903,	9	607		
	43,732	12,544,399		
Less number withdrawn in month of Nov., 1903, of applications lodged to end of Oct., 1903,	9	2,675	43,728	12,541,634
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans applied for to end of Oct., 1903,	4,321	1,057,548		
“ in the month of Nov., 1903,	11	745	4,332	1,058,293
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans applied for to end of Oct., 1903,	97	98,394		
“ in the month of Nov., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans applied for to end of Oct., 1903,	2,885	749,767		
“ in the month of Nov., 1903,	—	—	2,885	749,767
			50,967	14,447,888
APPLICATIONS REFUSED:—				
Applications from Landlords and Tenants refused to end of Nov., 1903,	1,716	625,654		
Purchase of Estates, Section 5, Act of 1885,	1,077	302,244		
			2,793	927,898
Number and amount of Loans applied for to end of Nov., 1903, less applications refused,			48,194	13,520,390

(b).—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896 (Continued).

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(b) Loans Provisionally Sanctioned.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Oct., 1903,	41,579	11,843,268		
" in the month of Nov., 1903,	30	8,663		
	41,609	11,851,931		
Orders rescinded in month of Nov., 1903, of those made to end of Oct., 1903,	17	6,681	41,592	11,851,247
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Oct., 1903,	4,321	1,057,348		
" in the month of Nov., 1903,	11	745	4,332	1,058,093
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Oct., 1903,	97	98,394		
" in the month of Nov., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Oct., 1903,	1,758	447,523		
" in the month of Nov., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Net number and amount of Loans sanctioned to end of Nov., 1903,			47,779	12,455,927
(c) Loans Issued.				
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans issued to end of Oct., 1903,	38,350	11,188,464		
" in month of Nov., 1903,	145	60,880	38,495	11,249,344
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans issued to end of Oct., 1903,	4,321	1,057,348		
" in month of Nov., 1903,	11	745	4,332	1,058,093
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans issued to end of Oct., 1903,	95	98,014		
" in month of Nov., 1903,	—	—	95	98,014
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans issued to end of Oct., 1903,	1,758	447,523		
" in month of Nov., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Number and amount of Loans issued to end of Nov., 1903,			44,680	12,847,974
(d) Advances made to the Congested Districts Board under Section 43 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896.				
Advances made to end of Oct., 1903,	53	468,513		
" in month of Nov., 1903,	—	—		
Total	—	—	53	468,513

(c).—IRISH LAND ACT, 1903.

Advances in Cash—8½ Per Cent. Annuities payable by Tenant Purchasers.

(1.)

Applications for Advances.

	Number.	Amount.
		£
Loans applied for to end of November, 1903	21	2,781
Loans provisionally sanctioned to end of November, 1903	9	3,865
Loans issued to end of November, 1903	3	192

(2.)

Sales of Estates—Sections 1 to 23, Irish Land Act, 1903.

Applications for Advances to Purchase Holdings on Sale of Estates.

	No. of Estates.	No. of Holdings.	Amount of Advances.
			£
Loans applied for to end of November, 1903	9	105	69,623
Loans sanctioned to end of November, 1903	—	—	—
Loans issued to end of November, 1903	—	—	—

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 30th November, 1903.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Oct., 1903,	53,480		Rents fixed to end of Oct., 1903,	18,952	
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903,	39		" in month of Nov., 1903,	14	
		30,519	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Oct., 1903,	4,514	18,966
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to end of Oct., 1903,	4,449		" in month of Nov., 1903,	—	4,514
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903,	—	4,449	Applications withdrawn* to end of Oct., 1903,	330	
			" in month of Nov., 1903,	1	331
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending to end of Oct., 1903,	3,645		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Oct., 1903,	12,506	
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903,	—	3,645	" in month of Nov., 1903,	18	12,524
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of Oct., 1903,	142		Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the end of Oct., 1903,	45	
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903,	—	142	" in month of Nov., 1903,	—	45
			Total disposed of,	—	36,280
			Number to be disposed of,	—	4,975
Total,	—	40,735	Total,	—	40,735

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of Oct., 1903,	10,535		Rents fixed to end of Oct., 1903,	3,774	
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903,	87		" in month of Nov., 1903,	23	
			Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Oct., 1903,	419	3,807
			" in month of Nov., 1903,	2	
			Applications withdrawn* to end of Oct., 1903,	103	421
			" in month of Nov., 1903,	1	
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to end of Oct., 1903,	5,293	104
			" in month of Nov., 1903,	50	4,345
			Total disposed of,	—	8,675
			Number to be disposed of,	—	947
Total,	10,622		Total,	—	10,622

*As application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) *Out of Court.*
FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 44, Fixing Pair Rent to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	7,858
Do., do., in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	—
Total,	7,858

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, Fixing a Pair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	151
Do., do., in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	—
Total,	151

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of holdings, &c.):		Number disposed of to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	386	
Applications received to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	686	in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	1	387
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	1	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	44	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 83) received to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	3	Transferred in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	—	46
Applications received in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	—			
	3			
Total,	—	Total disposed of, . . .	—	433

* The final notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTYEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,†	8	Leases or Grants declared void . . .	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out . . .	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised . . .	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court . . .	—
Total,	8	Total disposed of, . . .	6

† The time limited in the Act for bringing an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING.
 UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	23	Applications granted to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	6	
" in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	—	" " in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	—	6
		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	4	
		" " in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	1	
		" " in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Courts to end of Oct., 1903, . . .	8	
		" " in month of Nov., 1903, . . .	—	8
Total, . . .	23	Total disposed of, . . .	—	14

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
 22nd January, 1904.

JOHN H. FRANKS.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW ACTS," "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS. 1883-1891,"
AND "THE LAND PURCHASE ACTS."

DURING THE MONTH OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," up to the 31st day of December, 1903; also of Proceedings up to same date under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1853-1891;" and under "The Land Purchase Acts."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a) *In Court.*

FIRST STATUTORY TERM

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Nov., 1903,	202,788		Rents fixed—		
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	108		By Chief Commission to end of Nov., 1903,	5,408	
		202,896	" in month of Dec., 1903,	1	5,408
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of Nov., 1903,	11,022				
Do. in month of Dec., 1903,	1	11,023			
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Nov., 1903,	80,896		By Sub-Commission to end of Nov., 1903,	175,674	
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	4		" in month of Dec., 1903,	138	175,802
		30,400			
Number of Cases under the "Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891," which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents, to end of Nov., 1903,	1,455		Dismissed—		
Do. received in Dec., 1903,	2	1,437	To end of Nov., 1903,	9,335	
			In month of Dec., 1903,	19	9,354
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to end of Nov., 1903,	1,502				
Do. in month of Dec., 1903,	—	1,502	Struck out—		
			To end of Nov., 1903,	88,544	
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," to end of Nov., 1903,	582		In month of Dec., 1903,	14	88,558
Do. in month of Dec., 1903,	4	586			
			Withdrawn†—		
Applications by Joint Tenants or Tenants in Common to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them, under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896," transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Nov., 1903,	45		To end of Nov., 1903,	15,746	
Do. in month of Dec., 1903,	—	45	In month of Dec., 1903,	11	15,777
			Total Number disposed of, Number to be disposed of,	—	245,494
				—	2,389
Total,	—	247,883	Total,	—	247,883

* These cases are also included in Redemption of Rent, Table (c), page 6.

† An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave so to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of Nov., 1903,	73,968		Rents fixed— By Chief Commission to end of Nov., 1903,	2,410	
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	248		" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	2,410
		74,216	By Sub-Commission to end of Nov., 1903,	53,768	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Nov., 1903,	5,343		" in month of Dec., 1903,	674	54,442
Do. in month of Dec., 1903,	6		Dismissed— To end of Nov., 1903,	1,011	
		5,349	In month of Dec., 1903,	13	1,024
			Struck out— To end of Nov., 1903,	11,066	
			In month of Dec., 1903,	67	
			Withdrawn— To end of Nov., 1903,	2,307	11,073
			In month of Dec., 1903,	29	
					2,327
			Total Number disposed of,	—	71,276
			Number to be disposed of,	—	8,229
Total,	—	79,565	Total,	—	79,565

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(b.) Out of Court.
FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 44, fixing Fair Rent to end of Nov., 1903,	188,061
Do, do, in month of Dec., 1903,	155
Total,	188,216

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 45, fixing Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term to end of Nov., 1903,	37,738
Do, do, in month of Dec., 1903,	196
Total,	37,934

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to end of Nov., 1903,	3,156		Number disposed of to end of Nov., 1903,	2,994
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	2		" in month of Dec., 1903,	5
		3,158		
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Nov., 1903,	46			
Do. in month of Dec., 1903,	—			
		46		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 33) received to end of Nov., 1903,	1,067			
Applications in month of Dec., 1903,	—			
		1,067		
Total,	—	3,271	Total disposed of,	2,999

†The first notice of application to the Court, seeking the decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, withdrawal of lease or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTER TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80

Number of Applications received to 28th February, 1888,*	55	Leases or Grants declared void	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out	30
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	55

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 28th February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 38.

Number of Applications received to end of Nov., 1903,	20	Applications granted to end of Nov., 1903,	7
" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	" in month of Dec., 1903,	—
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to end of Nov., 1903,	8	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Nov., 1903,	11
" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	" in month of Dec., 1903,	—
	3	Applications withdrawn to end of Nov., 1903,	3
		" in month of Dec., 1903,	—
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	21

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1883-1891.

Applications received to end of Nov., 1903,	5,156	Rents fixed to end of Nov., 1903,	4,626
" in Dec., 1903,	—	" in Dec., 1903,	19
		Applications dismissed, struck out and withdrawn to end of Nov., 1903,	411
		" in Dec., 1903,	—
Total,	5,156	Total disposed of,	—

VI.—APPEALS *vs* FAIR RENTS, &c.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged to end of Nov., 1903, . . .	53,618	Number heard to end of Nov., 1903, . . .	27,582	
" in month of Dec., 1903, . . .	12	" in month of Dec., 1903, . . .	16	27,598
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of Nov., 1903, . . .	23,025	
		" in month of Dec., 1903, . . .	5	23,030
		Total Number disposed of, . . .	—	51,628
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . .	—	2,602
Total, . . .	53,630	Total, . . .	—	53,630

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Number of Appeals lodged during Second Statutory Term to end of Nov., 1903, . . .	30,811	Number heard to end of Nov., 1903, . . .	11,409	
" in month of Dec., 1903, . . .	34	" in month of Dec., 1903, . . .	65	11,474
		Number withdrawn or struck out in office to end of Nov., 1903, . . .	7,097	
		" in month of Dec., 1903, . . .	46	7,058
		Total Number disposed of, . . .	—	18,527
		Remaining to be disposed of, . . .	—	11,318
Total, . . .	30,845	Total, . . .	—	20,345

* VII.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to end of Nov., 1903, . . .	1,615	Number of cases in which consents to Redemption of Rent have been received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to end of Nov., 1903, . . .	170	
" in Dec., 1903, . . .	4	Number received in Dec., 1903, . . .	—	170
		Number of cases in which no consents were received, and which were treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents* to end of Nov., 1903, . . .	1,435	
		Number of cases in which time had expired for receiving consents in month of Dec., 1903, . . .	2	1,437
		Number of cases in which applications have been received, but where time for lodgment of consents has not expired, . . .	—	1,607
Total, . . .	1,619	Total, . . .	—	1,619

* Applications treated as Fair Rents cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 2.

VIII.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LAND PURCHASE ACTS.

(a) PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1888.

Advances in Cash—4 Per Cent. Annuities Payable by Tenant Purchasers.

	Number	Amount
Loans applied for	29,179	£ 11,452,066
Deduct Applications refused,	3,812	1,459,580
	25,367	9,992,586
Loans sanctioned	25,367	9,992,586
Loans issued	25,367	9,992,586

(b).—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896.

Advances in Guaranteed Land Stock—4 Per Cent. Annuities payable by Tenant Purchasers.

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(a) Loans Applied For.		£		£
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans applied for to end of Nov., 1903,	43,720	12,541,884		
" in the month of Dec., 1903,	5	187		
	43,725	12,541,821		
Less number withdrawn in month of Dec., 1903, of applications lodged to end of Nov., 1903,	17	17,837	43,711	12,523,984
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans applied for to end of Nov., 1903,	4,332	1,058,093		
" in the month of Dec., 1903,	47	17,686	4,379	1,075,781
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans applied for to end of Nov., 1903,	97	98,394		
" in the month of Dec., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans applied for to end of Nov., 1903,	2,835	748,767		
" in the month of Dec., 1903,	—	—	2,835	748,767
			51,022	14,447,926
APPLICATIONS REFUSED:—				
Applications from Landlords and Tenants refused to end of Dec., 1903,	1,734	629,331		
Purchase of Estates, Section 5, Act of 1885,	1,077	302,344		
			2,811	931,675
Number and amount of Loans applied for to end of Dec., 1903, less appli- cations refused,	48,211	13,515,151		

(b).—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1891-1896 (Continued).

Advances in Guaranteed Land Stock—4 Per Cent. Annuities payable by Tenant Purchasers.

	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
(b) Loans Provisionally Sanctioned.				
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—		£		£
Loans sanctioned to end of Nov., 1903,	41,582	11,851,247		
" in the month of Dec., 1903,	15	1,649		
Orders rescinded in month of Dec., 1903, of those made to end of Nov., 1903,	41,507	11,852,887		
	16	4,811	41,581	11,848,076
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Nov., 1903,	4,332	1,058,003		
" in the month of Dec., 1903,	47	17,688	4,379	1,075,781
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Nov., 1903,	97	98,394		
" in the month of Dec., 1903,	—	—	97	98,394
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans sanctioned to end of Nov., 1903,	1,758	447,523		
" in the month of Dec., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Net number and amount of Loans sanctioned to end of Dec., 1903,	47,925	13,460,774		
(c) Loans Issued.				
APPLICATIONS FROM LANDLORDS AND TENANTS— ACTS, 1891-96:—				
Loans issued to end of Nov., 1903,	38,495	11,244,844		
" in month of Dec., 1903,	52	13,870	38,547	11,258,714
SECTION 40 OF LAND ACT OF 1896:—				
Loans issued to end of Nov., 1903,	4,332	1,058,003		
" in month of Dec., 1903,	47	17,688	4,379	1,075,781
REDEMPTION OF RENT ACT, 1891:—				
Loans issued to end of Nov., 1903,	95	98,014		
" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	—	95	98,014
PURCHASE OF ESTATES, SECTION 5, ACT OF 1885:—				
Loans issued to end of Nov., 1903,	1,758	447,523		
" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	—	1,758	447,523
Number and amount of Loans issued to end of Dec., 1903,	44,779	12,879,532		
(d) Advances made to the Congested Districts Board under Section 43 of the Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1896.				
Advances made to end of Nov., 1903,	58	468,519		
" in month of Dec., 1903,	4	20,759		
Total	—	—	57	489,278

(c).—IRISH LAND ACT, 1903.

Advances in Cash— $3\frac{1}{2}$ Per Cent. Annuities payable by Tenant Purchasers.

(1)

Applications for Advances.

	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
Loans Applied for.		£		£
Loans applied for to end of November, 1903	21	9,781	42	28,597
" " in the month of December, 1903	21	18,816		
Loans Provisionally Sanctioned.				
Loans sanctioned to end of November, 1903	9	3,963	15	8,826
" " in the month of December, 1903	6	4,863		
Loans Issued.				
Loans issued to end of November, 1903	8	192	4	1,166
" " in the month of December, 1903	1	974		

(2)

Sales of Estates—Sections 1 to 23, Irish Land Act, 1903.

Applications for Advances to Purchase Holdings on Sale of Estates.

	No. of Estates.	No. of Holdings.	Amount of Advances.	No. of Estates.	No. of Holdings.	Amount of Advances.
Loans Applied for.			£			£
Loans applied for to end of Nov., 1903	9	105	63,623	26	218	182,897
" " in the month of Dec., 1903	17	168	62,764			
Loans Sanctioned.						
Loans sanctioned to end of Nov., 1903	—	—	—	6	31	42,615
" " in the month of Dec., 1903	6	31	42,615			
Loans Issued.						
Loans issued to end of Nov., 1903	—	—	—	3	18	29,000
" " in the month of Dec., 1903	3	18	29,000			

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1903.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law Acts," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st December, 1903.

I. FAIR RENT.

(a) In Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to end of Nov., 1903,	33,519		Rents fixed to end of Nov., 1903,	18,966	
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	60		" in month of Dec., 1903,	10	
		33,579	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Nov., 1903,	4,314	18,376
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to end of Nov., 1903,	4,449		" in month of Dec., 1903,	2	
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	5		Applications withdrawn* to end of Nov., 1903,	531	4,318
		4,454	" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending to end of Nov., 1903,	2,645		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Nov., 1903,	12,524	531
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	1		" in month of Dec., 1903,	1	
		2,646	Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1894," transferred to the Irish Land Commission to the end of Nov., 1903,	45	12,525
Applications by Joint Tenants, or Tenants in Common, to fix Fair Rents of portions of Holdings separately worked and occupied by them under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1894," to end of Nov., 1903,	142		" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	45
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	—		Total disposed of,	—	36,393
		142	Number to be disposed of,	—	4,426
Total,	—	40,821	Total,	—	40,821

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court for a Second Statutory Term to end of Nov., 1903,	10,623		Rents fixed to end of Nov., 1903,	5,807	
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	36		" in month of Dec., 1903,	17	
		10,659	Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Nov., 1903,	421	5,624
			" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	
			Applications withdrawn* to end of Nov., 1903,	104	421
			" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission, to end of Nov., 1903,	5,348	104
			" in month of Dec., 1903,	6	
Total,	—	10,718	Total disposed of,	—	5,348
			Number to be disposed of,	—	2,698
				—	1,020
			Total,	—	10,718

*An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn, without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

(A) Out of Court.

FIRST STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 14, Fixing Fair Rent to end of Nov., 1903,	7,388
Do., do. in month of Dec., 1903,	—
Total,	7,388

SECOND STATUTORY TERM.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 15, Fixing a Fair Rent for a Second Statutory Term, received to end of Nov., 1903,	151
Do., do. in month of Dec., 1903,	—
Total,	151

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to end of Nov., 1903,	387	
Applications received to end of Nov., 1903,	687		" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	387
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	—	687	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Nov., 1903,	46	
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 33) received to end of Nov., 1903,	8		Transferred in month of Dec., 1903,	—	46
Applications received in month of Dec., 1903,	—	3			
Total,	—	690	Total disposed of,	—	433

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, redress of lease, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTER TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,†	6	Leases or Grants declared void	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court	—
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	6

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING
UNDER SEC 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887"—FORM 33.

Number of Applications received to end of Nov., 1903,	23	Applications granted to end of Nov., 1903,	6	
" in month of Dec., 1903,	—	" " in month of Dec., 1903,	—	6
		Applications dismissed or struck out to end of Nov., 1903,	4	
		" " in month of Dec., 1903,	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to end of Nov., 1903,	1	
		" " in month of Dec., 1903,	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to end of Nov., 1903,	3	
		" " in month of Dec., 1903,	—	3
Total,	23	Total disposed of,	—	14

IRISH LAND COMMISSION,
23rd January, 1904.

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